

4. (Once Amended) A self-adhesive labelstock as claimed in Claim 3, wherein the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock further includes printing selected from the group consisting of text, figures, bar codes and combinations thereof which are post-printed on the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock.

5. (Once Amended) A self-adhesive labelstock as claimed in Claim 3, wherein printing on the face paper of self-adhesive labelstock is done by a printing selected from the group consisting of ink-jet printing, heat transfer, electrophotography and dye-based printing methods.

8. (Once Amended) A face paper as claimed in Claim 20, wherein the face paper is an uncoated paper.

10. (Once Amended) A self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 18, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

11. (Once Amended) A self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 18, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

12. (Once Amended) A self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 4, wherein the printing on the face paper for self-adhesive labelstock is text.

13. (Once Amended) A self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 4, wherein the printing on the face paper for the self-adhesive labelstock is figures.

14. (Once Amended) A face paper for self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 20, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

15. (Once Amended) A face paper for self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 20, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

16. (Once Amended) A method for making a face paper of self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 21, wherein the smooth, hot, drying surface is provided by a Yankee cylinder.

17. (Once Amended) A method for making a face paper of self-adhesive labelstock according to Claim 21, wherein the smooth, hot drying surface is provided by a Condebelt dryer.

Please add the following claims.

18. A self-adhesive labelstock comprising face paper, the face paper comprising a finished outer surface and an inner surface contacting the adhesive,

the finished outer surface being formed through contact with a smooth, hot drying surface for a distance effective for finishing the paper and providing the finished outer surface for printing.

19. A print carrier comprising a face paper for self-adhesive labelstock, the face paper comprising a finished outer surface and an inner surface,

the face paper being formed from pulp fibers by heating at a beating rate of SR20 to SR40, the finished outer surface being formed through contact with a smooth, hot drying surface for a distance effective for finishing the paper and providing the finished outer surface for printing.

20. A face paper comprising a finished outer surface and an inner surface, the finished outer surface being formed through contact with a smooth, hot drying surface for a distance effective for finishing the paper and providing the finished outer surface for printing.

21. A method for making a face paper of self-adhesive labelstock comprising contacting wet paper with a smooth, hot drying surface for a distance effective for providing a finished outer surface for printing.